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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
2. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a); and
3. Credit Card Payment Form authorized in the amount of \$1,400.00 to cover: \$810.00 RCE fee and \$590.00 extension of time fee difference;
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5. One (1) return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted;

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